

1. This is a response to Applicant's amendment filed on 02/04/2008. Sign the notice of allowability by virtue of this amendment, claims 1-14 remain pending in this application...

Claims 1-14 are allowed.

Examiner's Amendment

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and /or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.3.12. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

3. The following claim has been amended upon agreement by applicant during a telephone conversation with Mr. Carl I. Brundidge on 06/08/2008.

In claim 3, line 2, after the phrase "managing terminal," adding --comprising: a processor for performing processing,--.

In claim 7, line 2, after the phrase "storage device," adding -comprising: a processor for performing processing,--.

In claim 11, line phrase "constructed by" has been changed to --comprising:--

Reasons for Allowance

4. Claims 1-14 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reason for allowance:

With respect to claims 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, and 14, none of the references of record teaches or suggests the claimed a method or a storage managing server connected to a storage device and a storage managing terminal, comprising, along with all the other claimed feature, by the storage managing server, processing, which

includes at least sending a request to the storage device requesting constructional information, with respect to the second request, and receiving the constructional information transmitted from the storage device, in response to' the request, before the storage managing server transmits a response to the first request to the storage managing terminal. Further, Nolan fails to teach or suggest that the storage managing server, before transmitting a response to the first request including downloading the manager program to the storage managing terminal, transmits the constructional information transmitted from the storage device to the storage managing terminal as recited in the claims. Still further, Nolan fails to teach or suggest that the storage managing terminal, before downloading the manager program from the storage managing server, but after receiving the constructional information from the storage managing server, starts processing which includes displaying a constructional information display operation screen on a display device including the received constructional information as recited in the claims.

Claims 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, and 12 are allowable by virtue of their dependencies on claims 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13.

Conclusion

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hung T. Vy whose telephone number is 571-2721954. The examiner can normally be reached on 8.30am - 5.30 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Don Wong can be reached on 571 272 1834. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/Hung T Vy/

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